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Dear FDA:

I am writing today to express my strong objection to costly and unnecessary rules which you have been asked to consider by the Center for Science in the Public Interest.

As one who understands the difficulties faced by farmers, processors and others who rely on shellfish, I can tell you first-hand of the economic damage these proposed rules will inflict upon them.

Most people in that industry own small operations with little financial stability and few cash reserves. Forcing us to comply with mandatory treatment will drive many out of the business altogether and greatly reduce their limited profits even further. Simply stated, they cannot afford the costly equipment and cannot absorb the lower consumer demand which will result from treated oysters.

Consumers should have a choice between treated and fresh oysters. The small number of people who may be at risk should heed the ample warnings available where fresh oysters are sold and assume their own level of personal responsibility.

I urge the FDA to reject these crippling rules and to allow other appropriate independent state and national bodies such as ISSC to continue to their educational and oversight activities as they have in the past.

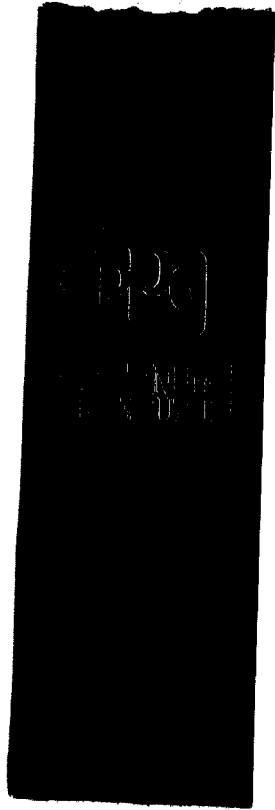
Thank you.


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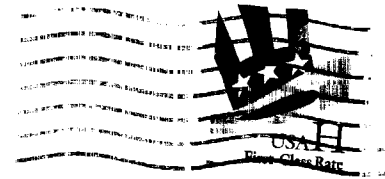
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